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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service the China Mail.)

### SCUFFLE IN COMMONS.

#### LABOURITES ON THE WARP.

##### "RED FLAG" SUNG.

LONDON, April 12.—Tumultuous scenes followed and as a result the Speaker finally suspended the sitting for an hour. The cause of the disorder was the Labourites' resentment at Mr. Baldwin's moving the Government assurance that they would reconsider their policy in regard to ex-service men. The Labourites did not participate in the division on the motion but remained in their seats and continuously chanted "Adjourn!" for ten minutes. They then broke in with loud singing of "The Red Flag." The Speaker, despite the non-participation of the Labourites, declared the motion carried and this led to still more furious protests by the Labourites.

When sitting was suspended a Scottish Labourite crossed the floor and angrily addressed the Hon. Mr. Ormsby Gore, finally striking him with an order paper. Major Ormsby Gore warded off the blow and gripped the Labourite's arms. Members closed round the pair and the Labourites then pulled back their colleague. Several angry Labourites then endeavoured to rush behind the Speaker's chair with a view to attacking one of the Ministerialists but other Labourites restrained them after a brief scuffle.

#### SPEAKER ADJOURNS HOUSE.

LATER.—Owing to the uproar as result of the Labourites' demanding that the Government reconsider its policy towards ex-service men as a result of yesterday evening's vote the Speaker was compelled to adjourn the House of Commons for an hour.

#### HOME GOVERNMENT DEFEAT.

LATER.—When the House resumed the Speaker announced that in view of the grave disorders he exercised the right of adjourning the House until tomorrow.

#### TECHNICAL DIFFICULTY OVERCOME.

LONDON, April 11.—The Government has overcome the technical difficulty created by its defeat by deciding that the motion whereon it was defeated should be reconsidered tomorrow. Mr. Stanley Baldwin, in moving a resolution authorising such reconsideration said the Government was caught napping but the division was in nowise proof that the Government lost the confidence of the House. (loud Ministerial cheers and opposition protests.)

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald declared that the Government, after a series of unexampled defeats at by-elections, now faced an unexampled defeat in the House due to a number of the Government's supporters refusing to support it because the policy announced by Major Boyd Carpenter, secretary to the Treasury, conflicted with their pledges to constituent. The Government should take their defeat as an instruction by the House to reconsider the question of conditions for ex-soldiers entering the civil service.

#### GERMAN SHIPPING PROFITS.

##### N. O. L. AND HAMBURG AMERIKA.

BERLIN, April 11.—The annual report of the Norddeutscher Lloyd of Bremen shows a net profit of 514,000,000 million marks. A dividend of thirty per cent is recommended and an increase of capital is projected.

BERLIN, April 11.—The annual report of the Hamburg Amerika Line shows a net profit of 95,000,000 marks. A dividend of ten per cent plus a bonus of twenty per cent owing to the depreciation of the mark is announced.

#### AMERICAN MINIMUM WAGE ACT.

##### CONGRESS MEASURE HELD UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—The Supreme Court has decided that the Act of Congress whereunder the minimum wage of women and girls in the district of Columbia is fixed is unconstitutional. Three out of eight judges, including Chief Justice Taft, dissented from the decision which is certain to be vehemently debated. The majority of the Court takes its stand on the freedom of contract believed to be guaranteed by the fifth amendment of the constitution.

#### COMMUNICATION WITH COLONIES.

##### COLONIAL OFFICE TO ENCOURAGE.

LONDON, April 11.—Winding up the debate in the Commons yesterday evening, Major Ormsby Gore said that without awaiting the Imperial Conference the Colonial Office would encourage immediate development of means of communication with the Crown Colonies. Viscount Eddisbury, who was thereupon negatived without division.

### THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/3 5/16.  
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### MANCHESTER TO MOSCOW.

#### NEW AIRLINE SCHEME.

LONDON, April 11.—The Times Berlin correspondent says, agreement has been reached between the British and German Governments whereby an airline from Manchester to London, Amsterdam, Bremen or Hamburg, Berlin, Koehigsberg and Moscow will be opened for traffic on May 1. As only daylight flying is contemplated the question of a through flight from Manchester to Moscow does not arise at present. It is anticipated that the journey, with stops, will take three days under favourable conditions but this will depend on experiments in the summer.

### GERMANY'S ECONOMIC POSITION.

#### AMERICAN DELEGATION INQUIRING.

BERLIN, April 11.—Ten members of the American delegation to the recent International Chamber of Commerce Congress in Rome have arrived and are seeking information in financial and industrial circles regarding Germany's economic position.

Washington, April 11.—The annual meeting of the United States Chamber of Commerce in New York next month will discuss a recommendation from the Rome congress to hold an international conference for the purpose of working out a solution of the reparations and other European economic problems.

### LIAM LYNCH'S DEATH.

#### IRISH PEACE PROSPECTS.

LONDON, April 11.—Liam Lynch's death is regarded as a final stroke completing the military tour of the Irregulars. Although nominally Chief of Staff Lynch was actually Commander in Chief exempt from civil control and the mainstay of the Irregular resistance. It was his vote that defeated Deputy Chief of Staff Barry's motion deprecating further resistance. Lynch was associated with Rory O'Connor in the Republican resistance at the Dublin Four Courts. His death brightens the prospects of peace in regard to which De Valera and his executive have recently been less adamant.

#### SIX MEN EXECUTED.

LONDON, April 11.—Six men captured in possession of arms were executed at Tuam.

### INTERNATIONAL CRICKET.

#### S. AFRICAN TOUR OF AUSTRALIA SUGGESTED.

SYDNEY, April 11.—In view of the fact that the Englishmen are not due in Australia until the end of 1924 Mr. Iredale, Secretary of the New South Wales Cricket Association has suggested that a South African team should make a brief tour of Australia next summer. He suggests that the tests be limited to three.

### HOME PRINTERS STRIKE.

#### GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS DELAYED.

LONDON, April 11.—The London Gazette was not published for the first time for at least a hundred years and the issue of the Board of Trade Journal and other Government publications was delayed owing to a strike on the subject of trade union recognition which started with the firm of De La Rue and spread to other printing firms doing Government work.

### MANCHESTER COTTON TRADE.

#### UNDER EMPLOYMENT SCHEME REJECTED.

LONDON, April 11.—A conference of Manchester textile manufacturers rejected the operatives' proposal that a scheme against under-employment in the cotton trade should be adopted jointly, the employers contributing seventy five per cent. and the operatives twenty five per cent.

### INTERNATIONAL RUGBY.

#### NEW ZEALANDERS INVITED HOME.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), April 11.—The Rugby Union has received a cabled invitation to send a team to England in 1924/25. It is anticipated that it will be accepted.

### R.C.S. MEDAL FOR AUSTRALIAN EXPLORER.

LONDON, April 11.—The Royal Geographical Society's Patron Medal has been awarded to the Australian, Mr. Stanforth Smith, for his explorations in Papua.

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## VESSELS DUE

FROM BANGKOK AND SWATOW.  
Apr. 18.—E. A. Buntag.  
25.—E. A. Buntag.

FROM JAVA.  
Apr. 14.—J. J. L. Tjilowong.  
22.—J. J. L. Tjilowong.

FROM JAPAN.  
Apr. 18.—J. J. L. Tjilowong.

FROM MANILA.  
Apr. 22.—P. M. Wilson.  
30.—U.S.S.B. West Farolan.

FROM CALCUTTA.  
Apr. 14.—B. I. Torilla.

FROM SINGAPORE.  
Apr. 20.—U.S.S.B. West Farolan.  
May 15.—U.S.S.B. Mura.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.  
Apr. 14.—E. A. St. Albans.  
May 7.—E. A. Eastern.  
June 11.—E. A. Arafura.

FROM NEW YORK.  
Apr. 23.—T. I. O. Victorious.  
May 2.—T. I. O. Narbaro.  
18.—T. I. O. Ethan Allen.

FROM VANCOUVER.  
Apr. 19.—B. F. Proteilaus.  
May 17.—B. F. Achilles.  
June 7.—B. F. Tyndarus.  
July 5.—B. F. Tyndarus.  
Aug. 23.—B. F. Achilles.  
Sept. 3.—B. F. Proteilaus.

FROM SEATTLE.  
Apr. 19.—B. F. Proteilaus.  
May 17.—B. F. Achilles.  
June 7.—B. F. Tyndarus.  
July 5.—B. F. Tyndarus.  
Aug. 23.—B. F. Achilles.  
Sept. 3.—B. F. Proteilaus.

FROM LOS ANGELES.  
Apr. 20.—U.S.S.B. Elkridge.  
May 10.—U.S.S.B. West Chopaka.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.  
Apr. 15.—P. M. Wilson.  
May 10.—U.S.S.B. West Chopaka.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.  
Apr. 14.—H. E. A. L. Oosterk.  
17.—H. E. A. L. Kermeland.  
21.—P. & O. Kashar.  
28.—N. E. A. L. Werra.  
May 5.—H. E. A. L. Oosterk.  
June 5.—H. E. A. L. Oosterk.  
July 2.—H. E. A. L. Zosus.

FROM LONDON.  
Apr. 20.—P. & O. Sicilia.  
25.—G. L. Glomayor.  
May 5.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
7.—G. L. Glomayor.  
14.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
19.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
24.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
June 2.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
10.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
18.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
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July 4.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
12.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
20.—P. & O. Glomayor.  
28.—P. & O. Glomayor.

FROM LIVERPOOL.  
Apr. 14.—B. F. Monitor.  
18.—B. F. Eurylochus.  
22.—B. F. Automedon.  
26.—B. F. Glomayor.  
May 3.—B. F. Adrastra.  
7.—B. F. Eurylochus.  
11.—B. F. Eurylochus.  
15.—B. F. Eurylochus.  
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sistently courted the lady of his  
heart—without success. The fair  
one still remains a spinster, listen-  
ing with interest to the pleading of  
the now elderly beau, but declin-  
ing to yield her prized freedom.

## Romantic.

In passing sentence of three  
months' imprisonment on Patrick  
McGuire at Glasgow, the Sheriff said  
for housebreaking, the Sheriff said  
he must belong to the romantic  
school. It was stated that the man  
was found by the occupants in one  
of the rooms. His hands were  
bleeding, and he said he had been  
in a public-house. Asked to ex-  
plain several broken windows, ac-  
cused said he had thrown a man  
who had followed him into the  
house through the window. Ac-  
cused was in his stocking soles,  
and his boots were found in the  
back court.

## Caging A Python.

It is difficult enough to drive a  
chicken into its run, but imagine  
putting a huge python into its cage.  
Among the large collection of  
Malay animals and reptiles which  
were presented by the Prince of  
Wales to the London Zoological  
Gardens was a huge python mea-  
suring 25 ft. It is probably the  
longest ever received there. The  
great snake was coveyed in a box  
from the ship to the Zoo. The box  
was placed on a level with a  
sliding door in the back wall of the  
Large Reptile House. The lid was  
partially lifted, and it was suggested  
to the snake by means of a walk-  
ing-stick that he should enter his  
new abode. The python, however,  
was sleepy after his long journey,  
and refused to move, so that there  
was no alternative but to lift him  
and thrust him in bodily. The  
curator seized him quickly and  
men grasped the body at intervals.  
"Kinks" had to be twisted into the  
body to prevent the snake from  
coiling and wrapping its length  
round its tormentors. It could  
have crushed them to death in a  
minute. Thus was the python  
incarcerated, tail first, into his new  
home, the curator giving a final  
push to the head, and rapidly  
closing the sliding door.

## Scientific Phenology of the

Future.  
Mr. Bernard Hollander, the men-  
tal specialist told the British  
Phrenological Society at its annual  
meeting that electric currents pass-  
ing through schoolrooms help back-  
ward, indolent students to pass  
examinations in which they had  
previously failed. Dr. Hollander  
pictured a new world in which the  
respective merits of battery and  
magneto ignition for the brain  
would be hotly debated in the  
clubs. He did not develop the  
idea, however, but went on to  
speak of the scientific phenology  
which it would be possible to in-  
stitute, if mental hospitals could be  
established for the study of mind  
changes, following brain disorders.  
"It is acknowledged by leading  
anatomists," said Dr. Hollander  
"that the skull is moulded on the  
brain, and grows with it, so that the  
size and shape of the head con-  
form practically to the size and  
shape of the brain. "Size of head,  
however, is not a measure of in-  
tellect. Under the biggest poll one  
need not necessarily look for the  
best brains."

## Australia's Emblem.

A "whole window of Australia"  
House was filled with branches  
of the mimosa, which on this  
hemisphere represents the true  
wattle, and every office connected in  
any way with the Commonwealth  
displayed it (the *Daily Telegraph*  
tells us). For January 26, has been  
claimed as "Australia Day," and  
various and dignified were its  
celebrations in our midst. But of  
the wattle itself and its significance  
in this connection the majority of  
English folk know little. Australia's  
writers have recorded the  
glories of the "golden wattle," and  
after the South African War Mr.  
Kipling summed up its meaning  
to those gallant men who fought  
there in "Lichtenberg."  
It was all Australia to me,  
All I had found or missed:  
Every face I was crazy to see  
And every woman I'd kissed.

That smell of the wattle round  
Lichtenberg, in the rain.

There is justification in employ-  
ing the mimosa in this connection,  
for it is closely allied, botanically,  
with the acacia, whose flower the  
real wattle is.

## Hero in Bathing Costume.

The King has awarded the  
Albert Medal to Mr. Charles  
Chapman, of Huarau, New Zealand,  
in recognition of his gallantry in  
saving life. In the early hours of  
March 27, 1920, great destruction  
was caused by a severe flood which  
swept through the Paparoa Valley.  
An immense volume of water  
descended from the upper valley,  
where for miles the course of the  
torrent was marked by landslides.  
Houses and huts were washed  
away, and unhappily some of the  
occupants lost their lives. Chap-  
man, on receiving news of the  
disaster, put on a bathing costume  
and at once set out for the Paparoa  
township, to find that the river  
which runs through the township  
had become a raging torrent, the  
water reaching almost to the top  
of the bridge spanning the  
river. Two men (one of whom  
could not swim) were clinging to  
timber in the middle of the river,  
while a crowd of terror-stricken  
people looked on helplessly from  
the bank. His first act was to  
rescue these men. This he did—  
twice swimming out to them—but  
only after very strenuous efforts.  
He then heard that a woman and  
her child were in danger higher up  
the river, and went to their assist-  
ance. He found the woman  
clinging to a tree, and swam out to  
her, but to effect a rescue he had  
to return for a plank. A wooden  
form was available, and this he  
endeavoured to tow out to the  
woman and child. The rope  
broke, cut his second effort, when  
a length of fencing wire had been  
procured, was successful, and he  
brought first the child, then the  
mother to the bank.

## A Maker Of Paper Dolls.

"If a child has some training  
along the line of art it changes his  
whole life. It opens his con-  
sciousness to the beauty of com-  
mon things—blades of grass,  
weeds, the wonderful changing  
sky. Beauty lovers are never poor.  
They are the richest people in the  
world. Those who have learned  
something about colour have joy  
for ever." The speaker was Miss  
Florence V. Cannon, of Camden,  
N.J., who is considered the best  
toy expert in America. She was  
explaining why she had abandon-  
ed an art career to work ex-  
clusively on children's toys, re-  
sponding *The World*. I design my  
toys on American ideals—Truth,  
Beauty, Strength. If a child plays  
with toys that are strong and

lasting, as well as beautiful, the  
toys teach a lesson; if toys are true,  
little boys and girls are true. I  
love my wooden toys, but my  
paper ones come first, and they  
mean more to me than anything  
has ever meant. You see, I can  
make them cheap enough for  
the very poorest child to have  
them. I like my paper dolls to  
have very pretty dresses; the  
poorer children are the more they  
like their dolls to be rich. Children  
are mostly imaginative, and I be-  
lieve that imagination should be  
very much encouraged. Dreams  
are a wonderful help. If things  
are going wrong, and you can in-  
stantly imagine that everything is  
all right—well, you will soon be  
out of your difficulty; so it is with  
the child. My own dolls always  
went to balls; all their clothes  
were ball gowns. I did not exactly  
know what a ball was, but I  
imagined that people were very  
much dressed up, and I liked pretty  
things. I try to have my toys as  
nearly perfect as possible. If  
children play with well-drawn,  
harmoniously coloured bits of  
paper, they are getting a lesson in  
good taste and beauty that will be  
lasting. How could a woman have  
bad colour combinations and ugly  
furniture in her home, if she had  
the proper training when a child?  
I feel that the world would be  
happier if homes were furnished in  
beautiful colour combinations and  
well-designed furniture. These  
do not cost any more than ugly  
things, often not as much."

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which broke out on their heads,  
and my son also had them on his hands  
and neck. They began by small  
pimples and gradually got bigger  
and then burst. The children could  
not comb their hair so I had to cut  
it from around the sore spots. The  
eruptions caused irritation and they  
were all the time scratching.  
Then I got Cuticura Soap and  
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## YESTERDAY'S EDUCATION MEETING.

Assuredly had the Education Board been perverse yesterday and opposed, instead of warmly seconding, Mr. Wylie's reforms, it would have been hard pressed for sound arguments. Obviously members must keep closely in touch with the work being done in the schools if the Director is to get the full benefit of their assistance. Obviously also secrecy must be swept away, with a ruthless hand. The public has a right to know how its money is being spent and that right must be rigidly upheld. Therefore, beyond thanking Mr. Wylie for his zeal, these belated decisions require little comment. What does call for comment, though, and strong comment, is the statement made yesterday evening that the recent public meeting demanding better education for British children was held as a result of the Education Board Sub-Committee's report getting into print. This statement must be corrected, not merely because it is misleading in itself, but also because it betrays the whole question. Organized by the China Mail, the public meeting was held for British parents to make their grievances known to the Government direct. The preliminary advertisements and posters made that quite clear. Moreover, the meeting was called before the Sub-Committee's report was presented and even probably before it was completed. Indeed, the meeting was first planned for early December, and when the scheme was generally made known in February, still before the Sub-Committee's report had got into print—the China Mail specially

emphasized that the resolutions passed would be submitted to the Government direct. Parents had lost faith in the Education Board's ability to get any real reforms made. How much had it achieved since it was formed? Little enough, was the answer, when unqualified teachers were still employed, when the standard was still poor, when anomalies still abounded. Parents could not blink the fact that the Education Board was only advisory, that the Government, holding the purse strings, had the last say. They felt therefore that they must reach the Government direct. The publication of the Sub-Committee's report did not inspire this feeling, the public meeting having been planned long before, but it did heighten general interest. Consequently, it is more waste of words to say that had the business of the last Education Board meeting been discussed in public there would have been little necessity for the City Hall meeting. More, it is actually harmful because it implies that the City Hall meeting was due largely to an Education Board mistake and not solely to the very strong sense of grievance felt by every British parent here. Obviously that impression, unless promptly corrected, might have very serious results, with the public meeting's resolutions still before the Government. Hence these few words.

## POLO.

## VOLUNTEERS v R. G. A.

A polo match will be played on Saturday, next at 4.30 p.m. between the H.K.V.D.C. Mounted Section and the R. G. A. at Causeway Bay. Teams—H.K.V.D.C. (1) Capt. H. C. Macnamara, (2) Pte. J. G. Lyon, (3) Pte. A. R. Ester, (4) Cpt. J. Bartholomew. R. G. A. (1) L. E. L. E. Davies, (2) L. W. P. Fendall, (3) Capt. S. D. Meredith, (4) Capt. C. S. Fisher.

## SPECIAL CABLES.

## SMUGGLED RUBBER.

## CHINESE CONVICTED IN JOHORE.

[China Mail Special.]

Singapore, April 11. Thirteen Chinese were convicted in Johore of smuggling rubber. Five were fined \$4,300 each, two \$2,600, four \$20,000 and two \$12,000. 21,196 pounds of rubber were confiscated.

## TIN STOCKS IN THE EAST.

[China Mail Special.]

Singapore, April 11. The Governments of the Netherlands East Indies and Malay States, the Billiton Maatschappij, and the Straits Trading Company, being parties to the Bandoeng agreement relative to accumulated stocks of refined tin held by them in the East have mutually agreed to a general dissolution.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One Chinese case of plague, four Chinese cases of small-pox and one Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever were reported yesterday.

Fines amounting in all to about \$92 were collected at the Marine Court this morning for various offences against the local harbour regulations.

On the Praya East yesterday, a woman fell in front of a truck she was pulling. One of the wheels passed over her causing a compound fracture of the left leg. She was sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

Lieut.-Colonel Fitz. G. Fitz-Gerald, D.S.O., R.A.M.C., has assumed duty as Deputy Director of Medical Services, and Commanding R.A.M.C. China. Commanding Brevet Colonel L. Humphrey, C.M.G., R.A.M.C.

Baron K. Matsui passed through the Colony on the "Kitano Maru." With him was a large number of military officers, including Lt. Col. K. Kawase, Lt. Col. Y. Nakaya, Lt. Col. I. Ohtsuka and Major S. Nakagawa.

Mrs. A. J. S. Basto and Misses Basto, Mr. W. F. Blake, Mrs. and Miss Blake, Mr. and Mrs. G. Overton, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Murray and family were among the passengers who arrived by the s.s. "Kitano Maru."

Passengers who departed by the "President Pierce" yesterday, included Dr. J. Kerr Love and General F. R. McCoy, for San Francisco; Capt. P. R. Parker for Yokohama; Mr. E. Farrell, Lt. Col. Alec. Reiss and Mr. Danys Reiss for Shanghai.

Passengers who left the Colony by the "Fushimi Maru" yesterday, included Capt. H. J. Sommer, Prof. and Mrs. W. G. Smith, Mr. C. Lafrentz, Capt. and Mrs. O. W. Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Perry, Lt. J. C. MacArthur, Capt. W. A. Valentine.

A paragraph in yesterday's China Mail, stated: "The assistant commander of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., has reported to the police that cargo valued at \$4,800 has been stolen from Godown No. 3, Kowloon." The Company rang up yesterday to say that nothing had been stolen from the godown.

According to the Kwok Wah Pao, the telegraph operators who left Canton a month ago during the strike as a protest against the appointment of a non-technical man to the superintendency of the service have mostly changed their occupation on finding that they have but slight hope of winning the strike or being taken back into the service.

A junk loaded with over two hundred crates of poultry and a number of pigs foundered on the West River, just above Wuchow, a few days ago. It was proceeding along a part of the river where there is a strong current and ran into a mudbank where the water was shallow. Most of the livestock was lost but a few crates of poultry were saved. The loss is estimated at about \$4,000.

## TELEPHONE WORKMEN.

## INCREASED PAY WANTED.

An increase of forty per cent. on their salaries has been demanded by the fitters, wiremen, installers, etc., employed by the Telephone Company. They have addressed a letter to the manager, who has not yet replied. The question will require considerable discussion as the men are all earning different rates of pay.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## HONGKONG'S VOLUNTEERS.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—We have it on the very best authority, the G.O.C.—that an efficient H.K.V.D.C. is wanted. In fact anyone with the merest trace of imagination can picture conditions arising here on our own doorstep, when a reasonably well organized and disciplined body of men would be of inestimable value. Then how is it that our Volunteer Corps is so badly supported?

There must be many hundreds of men in the Colony who would be of very great worth to the community in the event of an emergency if they were already in the Corps. I know at 99 per cent. of them would offer their services immediately if such an emergency arose, but they overlook the difficulty of equipping and organizing a considerable body of men at a moment's notice.

The Volunteer Corps is a form of insurance, the cost of which is defrayed by the Government, and therefore, by the community in general, but it doesn't end there. The community generally also has to find the material of which the Corps is formed and, so far, this material has been woefully backward in coming forward. The large number of men in the Colony who are not in the Volunteers is more astonishing than the few who are and it ought to be the other way about.

There can be no possible doubt about it, it is the responsibility and duty of practically every eligible civilian in the Colony to be a member of the Volunteers, possibly in the Reserve Company, but I do not except even the essential utility service men who would not, of course, be mobilized for general service unless the need were very great.

I would like to put it to our large Hongks and Government services—not merely to our Taipans, but also to the senior and junior members. Are they putting their weight in the team? Are they shouldering their share of the responsibility and work? Or are they leaving it to the other fellows, while they spend their time at Tennis, and Tea Dance, and Golf, and Gymkhana?

On the whole we are a fairminded race. We pride ourselves on "playing the game" and our "sportsmanship," and it only wants bringing home to us that perhaps we Taipans have not taken much interest in the Volunteers—or given our staffs encouragement and facilities for joining them—and we seniors have left it to the juniors—and we juniors have perhaps been a bit slack and casual—and we ex-Servico men, well, perhaps we have been a little bit supercilious and a little too "war weary."

Well, let's turn over a new leaf and see if we can't, each one of us—Taipan, Head of Dept., Senior and Junior, do our fair share towards making our H.K.V.D.C. something of value and a force to be counted on in case of need.

Yours, etc., Remos.

Hongkong, April 11, 1923.

## TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

## YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

By defeating A. Eveleigh and A. S. Lindell in three straight sets yesterday, the brothers O. and H. D. Bumjahn have entered the final of the Open Doubles Championship in the H.K.C.C. tournament.

They have only appeared in the annual competitions for a few years and, needless to state, they have given of their best this year. There was no doubting the Indians' superiority in the first set. Eveleigh and Lindell were erratic, frequently netting and driving outside. Lindell snatched well in the second set and with Eveleigh also improving, a ding-dong struggle ensued till the scores were five all. The Indians, however, won the next two games; two sets to love. Eveleigh was again at fault in the third set, which the Bumjahn won 6-3.

A prolonged struggle was seen in a third round tie between Dods and Raworth and Wild and Humphreys. The former pair won the first two sets 6-3 and 6-1. Wild and Humphreys won the third set, 8-6 and the fourth 7-9. They established a lead of four games to one in the final set when, by playing very gamely, Dods and Raworth drew level at five all. From this stage, each pair won a game alternately till the score read seven games all when the match was discontinued owing to falling light. The match will be re-played.

Yesterday's results were: Open Championship Doubles—O. and H. D. Bumjahn beat A. Eveleigh and A. S. Lindell, 6-3, 7-5, 6-3. Handicap Singles—"B"—W. N. Humphreys (4/6) beat D. P. Raworth (2/3), 6-1, 6-4. Mixed Doubles—"B. Grimbale and Mrs. Grimbale (1/6) beat G. R. Sayer and Mrs. Sayer (2/3), 6-2, 6-3.

## WAR MEMORIAL HOME.

## SUBSCRIBERS' MEETING ON MONDAY.

The Hongkong War Memorial Committee will meet this afternoon to discuss recommendations from the small sub-committee appointed to report on the plans drawn up for the construction and running of the new Nursing Home which will form the major War Memorial. The cenotaph now in course of erection in Statue Square will form the minor memorial.

The Secretary of the sub-committee is Mr. E. J. Chapman of Messrs. Linstead & Davies. If the views of the small committee are adopted at this afternoon's meeting, it is proposed to call a meeting of subscribers on Monday next, when full plans will be laid before them. No figures were available when a China Mail representative called upon Mr. Chapman this morning. It is safe to say, however, that donations have so far been very satisfactory and when the final figures are announced, they will reflect great credit on the Colony's answer to the appeal.

The delay in calling meetings to discuss plans earlier was entirely due to the legal action that was necessary in regard to the bequest made by the late Mr. Granville Sharpe for the maintenance of the Matilda Hospital. The Chief Justice, on March 23, sanctioned the application made to empower the Hon. Sir Paul Chater K.C.M.G. and the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen (the trustees), to devote a portion of the surplus funds to the cost of the construction and maintenance of the new home.

## SHOOTING SENSATION.

## MR. CHAN'S CONDITION PRECARIOUS.

Hopes still hang in the balance for the recovery of Mr. Chan Wing-shing, who was seriously wounded as the result of an assassin's attack on Tuesday night.

Mr. Chan was fired at three times and the third bullet entered his back and injured the spinal cord with the result that paralysis set in. An operation was performed yesterday afternoon and on enquiries at the Government Civil Hospital where Mr. Chan lies, a China Mail reporter was informed that the bullet had not been extracted and that his condition still remains precarious.

## FOR SMALL INVESTORS.

## A NEW ORGANISATION.

There has been formed in Hongkong an organisation known as the Small Investors Share and Real Estate Company which announces that it is prepared to buy shares, from one upwards, at current market rates.

According to a representative of the Company, a Mr. Marques, the new organisation proposes to work along the lines of the Small Investors Company in Shanghai. "We are not by any means in opposition to the brokers," Mr. Marques said, "we will simply cater for the man with a small holding or an odd number of shares. All transactions will be entirely cash ones at the customary brokerage."

The new Company has established itself at No. 8, Des Voeux Road.

## CRICKET CLUB CORNER.

## TRAM TRACK ALTERATION.

With the demolition of the old Cricket Club pavilion opposite the museum corner of the City Hall, plans are being made to widen the thoroughfare at this point in order to remove a corner which it is rather difficult to negotiate.

Questioned this morning by a China Mail reporter, the general manager and secretary of the Hongkong Tramway Company (Mr. W. E. Roberts) said it was proposed to shift the tram tracks in order to allow motor cars to pass on either side but the plans for this alteration had not yet been officially approved.

## KOWLOON PROPERTY SALE.

## OVER FOUR LAKHS PAID.

Eleven houses in Kowloon, five in Minden Villas and six in Minden Avenue, have been sold by the Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co. Ltd. to a Chinese syndicate. The property covers an area of about 25,000 square feet and the price is said to be over \$4,000,000. Rumours of the sale have caused a considerable rise in the quotations of the Humphreys' Estate shares.

## LAST NIGHT'S DOWNPOUR.

## FOUR INCHES FALL.

## BUT RESTRICTIONS CONTINUE.

Yesterday's showers and last night's downpour produced exactly four inches of rain, according to the Observatory's report.

This brings us closer to the average of 7.89 inches for the period from January 1, (the actual rainfall amounts to 5.59 inches) but while it "helps the water supply position considerably," it is not enough according to a P.W.D. official who was spoken to on the subject, to justify any change in the policy of restriction recently announced. The official pointed out that it would take a day or two for the rain, which had fallen over the catchment areas to drain into the reservoirs and until then they would not know just by how much the supply had been increased.

## BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

## REOPENING ON MONDAY.

In connection with the reopening of the local branch of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, Mr. A. L. Seibert, who has been appointed manager here for the Societe Francaise de Gerance, declined to discuss matters when first visited by a China Mail reporter this morning.

Later in the morning, however, he asked press representatives to call and referred them to a lengthy statement issued by Mr. G. A. Carrere in Singapore. The gist of the statement was that owing to the new arrangements the whole of the organisation of the Banque Industrielle de Chine will become immediately productive. Mr. Seibert pointed out in conclusion that the Hongkong community should give due consideration to the announcement of the Official Receiver, as published in to-day's issue, which outlines the actual legal status of the new company in Hongkong.

## CANADIAN ROUGHRIDERS.

## STOWAWAYS FROM MANILA.

Wayne, Talmage and James Adams, two Canadians dressed in rough-rider costume, were charged before Mr. E. L. Wynne-Jones at the Magistrate's Court, with having stowed away on the s.s. "Oostkerk" from Manila to Hongkong.

Sub-Inspector Spear informed His Worship that on the day after the ship sailed from Manila, defendants gave themselves up as stowaways to the Captain.

Both defendants pleaded guilty. They related that they were engaged to take horses from Canada to Manila and the United States. After arriving in Manila, they were stranded there owing to the ship leaving four days before the scheduled time. They had no option but to stowaway as they wanted to leave Manila.

## MONDAY'S ORATORIO.

Some of the Oratorio Selections which were given in St. John's Cathedral on Good Friday are to be repeated at 6 p.m., on Monday next. In addition the Hongkong University Anthem, the Latin text of which is by Mr. Cecil Clementi, the music being by Mr. Denman Fuller will be sung. The soloists in the Anthem are Mrs. Clements, Mrs. Collett, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Perkins, Mr. Anniss, Comdr. Hocken R.N., Mr. Percy and Mr. Collett. The conductor will be Mr. J. W. White. The other numbers will be under the direction and conductorship of Mr. Denman Fuller. The collection will be in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Homes which is much in need of assistance.

## LOCAL CRIME.

## TWO ROBBERIES YESTERDAY.

At about 7.30 p.m. yesterday, seven men, armed with revolvers and a knife, gained admission into the first floor of No. 160, Connaught Road Central, occupied by the Poo Lee Co. After trussing up the five folks on the premises, the robbers stole property to the value of \$500 and escaped.

Another armed robbery occurred at No. 9, King Street, Tsimshatsui, when two men broke into the place at 8.25 p.m. each flourishing a revolver. Property and cash to the total value of \$380 was taken.

## A Parent's Duty.

Your boy is "slow," getting scolded or "cut" or "busted" because these words are the best of all right now when they mean "Get a better education!"

## OBITUARY.

## MR. NG HON-TSZ.

## SUDDEN DEATH YESTERDAY.

The Chinese community has lost one of its most valued members in the person of the Hon. Mr. Ng Hon-tsz who died after a short illness at his residence in Caine Road at about 4 p.m. yesterday.

The late Mr. Ng was in the prime of life, his age being 47 and his death will come as a great shock to his many European and Chinese friends.

He was confined to bed for only a few days, having caught a chill, it is said, after attending the birthday celebrations of Mr. Liang Shai-yi's father. Dr. Harston was called in but his illness was not considered serious. As late as yesterday morning, he held a long consultation with his new colleague on the Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall and the report of his death yesterday occasioned much surprise as he was a man of fine physique.

The deceased gentleman has been known for his public services, particularly his appointment to the Legislative Council in June last year in succession to the late Mr. Lau Chu-pak, C.M.G. He was born and educated in Hongkong and was English correspondent and manager of the shipping department of the Yuen Fat Hong, then the largest of Nam Pak Hong. He was comrade to Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co. when Mr. C. A. Tomes was in charge and on resignation started the import-export firm of Hontsz & Co. of which he was principal.

His first public service was as a member of the Sanitary Board some years ago. He was appointed an unofficial Justice of the Peace in 1909 and a member of the District Watchmen Committee in 1910, the latter being more or less an advisory board to the S.C.A. He was also a member of the Tung Wah Hospital Advisory Committee, Chinese Permanent Cemetery Committee, Chinese Public Dispensary Committee and the Po Leung Kuk Permanent Board of Directors. He was also identified with the University, being a member of the Council and Court. By virtue of his position on the Legislative Council, he is an ex-officio member of the executive committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

He leaves a widow, one son and several daughters with whom much sympathy will be felt.

The date of his funeral and resting place have not been decided as yet but his remains will be laid in state this afternoon. The funeral ceremonies will take place in about a week's time.

## FRENCH WARSHIPS.

## EXPECTED HERE ON SATURDAY.

The two French cruisers "Victor Hugo" and "Jules Michelet," which are travelling around the world partly for commercial purposes are due to arrive here on Saturday morning, under command of Rear-Admiral Gilly.

At 11 a.m. on Saturday the visiting Admiral will call at Government House, H.E. the Governor returning the call later. On Saturday night a dinner party will be given at Government House and on Sunday the visitors will be the guests of the Procureur des Missions Etrangeres, the Very Reverend Fr. Robert. In the afternoon French institutions in the Colony will be visited. There will also be a tea-party at the French Consulate at which French visitors will be invited to meet the naval guests.

On Monday the Commodore will give a luncheon on board H.M.S. "Tamar" and on Monday night there is to be a soiree dance at the French Consulate. On Tuesday night the French Admiral is giving a dinner on the flag-ship. The visitors will leave for Haiphong on Tuesday morning.

The object of the cruise is to acquaint manufacturers and merchants in the places visited with the resources of France in raw materials such as ores, phosphates, potash, etc., and her production of manufactured goods. At the same time the requirements of France in wool, cotton, petroleum, etc., will be indicated and information given regarding French ports, their capacity and organisation and as to the industrial districts which they serve.

Arrangements have been made for the vessels to be opened to visits between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon when private interviews will be granted with the Commercial Attaches in charge. In the afternoons, between two and five o'clock a large display of photographic exhibits may be seen.

## NO TENNIS TODAY.

## GROUND TOO WET.

As last night's storm has made the ground too wet, the tennis matches set down for today, had to be postponed.



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"SICILIA"	6,800	3rd May	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay.
"KIDDERPORE"	5,324	9th May	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay.
"KASHGAR"	6,000	16th May	MASSILLON, LONDON & A'warp.
"SODAN"	6,700	10th May	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay.
"NYANZA"	7,000	10th May	MASSILLON, LONDON & A'warp.
"SARDINIA"	6,680	14th June	do.
"DEITA"	8,957	27th June	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay.
"SICILIA"	6,818	28th June	MASSILLON, LONDON & A'warp.
"MALWA"	10,941	11th July	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay.
"DEVANHA"	8,092	26th July	do.
"BOUDAN"	6,096	26th July	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay.
"KHIVA"	6,017	8th Aug.	MASSILLON, LONDON & A'warp.

## BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"JAPAN"	6,000	13th Apr.	Calcutta, via Singapore and Penang
"TAKADA"	6,946	20th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TONILLA"	5,205	13th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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## CHINA COAST, ETC.

## SWATOW.

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13.—D.L.	Haloing.
15.—I.O.S.N.	Yingchow.
15.—D.L.	Haloing.
17.—I.O.S.N.	Yingchow.
17.—D.L.	Haloing.
19.—I.O.S.N.	Yingchow.
19.—D.L.	Haloing.
21.—I.O.S.N.	Yingchow.
21.—D.L.	Haloing.
23.—I.O.S.N.	Yingchow.
23.—D.L.	Haloing.
25.—I.O.S.N.	Yingchow.
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## TAKAO.

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## SHANGHAI.

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## TIENTSIN.

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## NEWCHANG.

Apr. 14.—O.S.N.	Newchang.
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## TSINGTAO.

Apr. 14.—O.S.N.	Tsingtao.
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## PUKOW.

Apr. 15.—O.S.N.	Pukow.
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## KEELUNG.

Apr. 30.—T.K.K.	Keelung.
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## HAFONG.

Apr. 13.—I.O.S.N.	Hafong.
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## HOIHOW.

Apr. 13.—I.O.S.N.	Hoihow.
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## SAIGON.

Apr. 17.—I.O.S.N.	Saigon.
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## BANGKOK.

Apr. 17.—I.O.S.N.	Bangkok.
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## SINGAPORE.

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## PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, ETC.

## MANILA.

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## SANDAKAN.

Apr. 20.—I.O.S.N.	Sandakan.
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## JAVA PORTS, ETC.

Apr. 10.—J.C.F.	Java Ports.
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## INDIAN PORTS, ETC.

Apr. 20.—I.O.S.N.	Indian Ports.
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## CALCUTTA.

Apr. 12.—B.I.	Calcutta.
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## BOMBAY AND COLOMBO.

Apr. 21.—O.S.K.	Bombay and Colombo.
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## AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Apr. 18.—N.Y.K.	Australian Ports.
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## SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Apr. 18.—N.Y.K.	Sydney and Melbourne.
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## JAPAN PORTS.

Apr. 13.—E. & A.	Japan Ports.
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## LOS ANGELES.

Apr. 21.—U.S.S.B.	Los Angeles.
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## VALPARAISO.

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## HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

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## PORTLAND.

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## NEW YORK.

Apr. 17.—N.Y.K.	New York.
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## VANCOUVER, ETC.

Apr. 10.—O.S.K.	Vancouver, etc.
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## VICTORIA.

Apr. 10.—O.S.K.	Victoria.
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## BALTIMORE.

Apr. 10.—O.S.K.	Baltimore.
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## SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

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## DURBAN AND CAPE TOWN.

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## BAHAMA &amp; VALENCIA.

Apr. 10.—O.S.K.	Bahama & Valencia.
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## BRINDISI, VENICE &amp; TRIESTE.

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## GENOA.

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### EDUCATION.

#### MEETING OF BOARD.

#### SCHOOL VISITING DISCUSSED.

The right of members of the Board to visit the schools in the Colony was one of the subjects discussed at a meeting of the Board of Education which took place in the sanitary board room yesterday afternoon. The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving (Director of Education) presided and there were also present the Rev. T. W. Pearce, Rev. Fr. H. Valtorta, Mr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh, Mr. B. Wylie, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Dr. Wan Man-kai, Mr. E. Ralphs, (Inspector of English Schools), Mr. R. A. D. Forrest (acting Inspector of Vernacular Schools) and Mr. Y. P. Law (Secretary).

In the first instance, the Chairman introduced two new members. Rev. Fr. Valtorta who was taking the place of the Rev. Fr. Maria, and Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, who represented the Peak Residents' Association.

Mr. Ralphs remarked that at the last meeting he was asked to lay on the table a copy of the syllabus followed last year in the British Schools. He now did so, together with a copy for this year.

Alluding to syllabuses at a later stage of the meeting, Mr. Teesdale Mackintosh asked whether he was right in understanding that the syllabuses as laid on the table were used in British Schools for the whole of last year, from January to December, 1922.

Mr. Ralphs: Mr. Mackintosh was informed at the last meeting that syllabuses were in force the whole year.

Mr. Mackintosh: May I ask, Sir, whether the syllabuses are printed?

Mr. Ralphs: The syllabuses are typed.

Mr. Mackintosh: Were they put in a prominent position in the schools, easily accessible for anyone to see them?

Mr. Ralphs: Copies were hanging on the wall on the last occasion. Mr. Mackintosh visited the schools.

Mr. Mackintosh: With great respect, Sir, I do not think that is an answer to my question.

The Chairman: It appears to me a very complete answer. The syllabus was in force during the whole year and was posted in the schools. If you mean, Mr. Mackintosh, that parents wishing to see the syllabuses could call at the school and see it, the answer is in the affirmative.

MR. WYLIE'S RESOLUTION.

Mr. Wylie moved the following resolution: "That with a view to increasing the utility of the Board of Education, the Government be asked to authorise the members of the Board to visit in their official capacity the educational establishments of the Colony, and if necessity arises to report thereon."

Mr. Wylie said he was moved to submit the resolution because he considered that the Board was not quite as efficient as it should be. He thought he was correct in saying that the Board was constituted in 1920 for the purpose of assisting the Director of Education by advising him on matters appertaining to the development and improvement of education in the Colony. Mr. Wylie drew attention to what the Director of Education said in his report for 1921. "But by far the greater part of the Board's work was done in Committee: in particular the principal Government and Grant Schools were inspected, and the resultant reports were forwarded to the Heads of Schools for their consideration and guidance. The authorities of one school raised the question whether the Board had any legal right to undertake such inspections. There appears to be some doubt on the point, and pending its solution the visits of members of the Board are being confined to schools where their welcome is assured."

Mr. Wylie continued by saying that he had been on the Board since last November and personally could not complain that he had not been given the opportunity to visit schools. As a matter of fact they had a perfect array of relations—some of them between November and December last year. They were taken round by Mr. Ralphs. He believed he was correct in saying that the members had no legal right to visit schools.

but he wished to point out that they had made certain reports on some of the schools. He contended that if they had no legal right to visit then they had no legal right to make a report and that the report could not be acted upon. If he were a Headmaster of a school reported on he would certainly object to it. Mr. Wylie did not wish to create the impression that he had nothing else to do but to visit schools, but there were schools in the Colony, to be precise in Kowloon, which he was anxious to visit. One of those schools he could not visit for reasons best known to the authorities. He wanted to visit that school as a right. He hoped he was not giving the impression that this particular school was an indifferent school, or that there was anything about it that he could criticise. He thought the school quite a good one and sent his own girl there. He was anxious to visit the schools in the district he represented in order that he might be in a position to make a comparison.

The speaker then went on to say that he did not desire to create the impression that the members wished to inspect the schools. They already had inspectors of Schools and realising his own shortcomings as an educationist, he did not wish for a moment to pose as an Inspector. He did think, however, that frequent visits paid by members would be conducive to greater progress. He realised that to have half a dozen men stamping into a schoolroom in the middle of a lesson, all trying to look intelligent and wise, was very bad from the point of view of the discipline of the school, and trying alike to pupils and teachers. He did not wish that anything of the kind should be done and suggested that two members with the Inspector would be quite sufficient. When the members had the right to visit schools their reports would be official reports, and while he did not wish to suggest that no notice had been taken of their reports in the past, he thought greater consideration would be paid them if they were submitted in their official capacity. If the members of the Board were to advise the Director of Education on the various schools then they must have the right to visit. Unless that right was conceded then they were not in the position to advise.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Teesdale Mackintosh. Supporting the motion Mr. Ralphs said that members should be allowed to visit the schools but suggested that a working arrangement should be arrived at that not more than two members should accompany that Inspector at one time. He thought that that should be clearly understood.

Rev. Dr. Pearce thought it was desirable that members should get to know more of the working of the schools. He thought that they might be able to render more timely and efficient service if they were in personal touch with the schools. As a member of the Board he would like to be in a position to cultivate a fellow feeling with the teachers, to enter into their problems and difficulties and as far as possible be of assistance to them.

Dr. Wan asked whether the members were to be allowed to visit the school independently or only with the Inspector.

Mr. Wylie suggested that the schools should be visited in company with the Inspectors.

CHAIRMAN'S AMENDMENT.

The Chairman said there was a slight amendment to the resolution he should like to make and with its adoption, he should be perfectly willing and anxious to support the resolution. He moved the deletion of the words "the members of the Board" from Mr. Wylie's resolution so that it would read that the Government be asked to authorise "the Board" to visit in their official capacity. As the resolution stood it meant that individual members of the Board could visit the schools when they pleased. That, he thought, was not Mr. Wylie's intention. It appeared to him that they ought to draw up in Committee certain rules for their own guidance.

The Chairman pointed out that the reason why the Board had not such power now was due to the fact that the Board of Education was not in existence when the Ordinance was framed and consequently the Grant Code made no provision for members of the Board to pay such visits. The Chairman actually agreed with Mr. Wylie's distinction between the

### "COUSIN KATE."

#### ALICE JOYCE AT THE STAR.

On the speaking stage "Cousin Kate," a film version of which constitutes the main attraction at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, was a comedy drama in four acts which enjoyed two long and highly successful seasons—when first produced by Charles Frohman in New York and later when it was revived with Ethel Barrymore in the title role.

Transferred to the screen, the piece is proving an equal attraction and with Alice Joyce playing the chief part it is not a bit surprising that this should be so. The beautiful and fascinating young Vitaphone star is eminently fitted to portray a role that is even more attractive in the film version than it was in the play itself.

sections and visits. What the Board wanted were visits and the less formal the better. They wanted, if possible, to be in an atmosphere of friendliness between the staff of the schools and the members of the Board so that they would welcome their visits, as he thought he could truthfully say they did the visits of the Inspectors.

Mr. Dowbiggin seconded the amendment, and Mr. Wylie having intimated that he was quite prepared to accept it, the resolution was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

#### PLEA FOR PUBLICITY.

A second resolution was then moved by Mr. Wylie thus: "That full meetings of this board be held on a fixed date once a month and that such meetings be open to the press."

He said that the resolution was really a plea for more publicity. He put it forward for the reason that at the last meeting they discussed in private a report which had been forwarded by a sub-committee dealing with the better education of British children in the Colony. At that meeting certain resolutions were passed. The public knew very well that such a sub-committee existed and in many ways showed an interest in the matter. They desired to read the report but unfortunately could not do so because the meeting of the Board at which it was discussed was held in private. The report eventually got into the Press and the result was that a public meeting was held in the City Hall. Mr. Wylie contended that if the business discussed at the last meeting had been conducted in public there would have been little necessity for the other public meeting. It might be, of course, that the Chairman desired to save members of the sub-committee from their own folly. (Laughter.) In public meetings at the City Hall one was apt to make mis-statements and exaggerations which could not be corrected at the time, but if they were made at a Board meeting open to the Press, the Chairman would be in a position to reply and to put the public right upon any points they might be at fault. It did not always follow that everything they said at the Board meeting was to the detriment of schools or teachers. They had criticised parents at private meetings of the Board. Very often parents deserved criticism and he thought that if the remarks were published in the Press they would do good. He recognised that there was a good deal of work which would necessarily have to be done in Committee but that could easily be got over by the meetings deciding to take the rest of the business in Committee as was done by other authorities in the Colony. Publicity removed many doubts and often dispelled foolish rumours. He took, however, a somewhat higher view point. In view of the large amount of money spent on what was often indifferent education, the public had a right to know all there was to know regarding this most important subject. Moreover, he felt that if the Board meetings were held regularly, it would be a great advantage to all of them.

Mr. Teesdale Mackintosh, seconded and suggested that it was very inconvenient for members not to know from month to month just when a meeting was likely to take place. If they knew that the meeting would be held on a fixed date every month then they would be able to make arrangements accordingly.

The Chairman said that the only reason so far as he was aware why fixed meetings of the Board had not been held on a fixed date in every month was that the Board had failed to carry out its Standing Orders, namely, to fix a date. Failing such instructions from the Board he had called a meeting whenever there was business to bring forward. As a member of the Board himself, he shared the collective responsibility in having failed to carry out the Standing Orders. It only remained for them now to decide a day the meeting should be held on.

The Board eventually agreed to hold its meetings at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of the first Wednesday in each month.

### ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS.

#### ANNUAL MEETING HELD.

The annual meeting of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders took place at the Institute last evening. Mr. G. Harman, the President, was in the chair and was supported by Messrs. R. M. Dyer, J. Reid, A. Leach, B. L. Frost, A. Davidson, E. Cook, J. McCubbin, W. Russell, P. Farrell, S. Baker, W. G. Douglas and W. J. Stokes.

Among other members present were: Messrs. J. E. Hansen, H. M. McTavish, Harrison, J. Ormiston, J. Tully, S. C. Ball, G. M. Shaw, J. B. Hamilton, R. Hunter, T. B. Oliphant, E. W. Blackmore, J. B. Spears, F. W. James, P. Oliphant, C. F. Pratt, H. Smyth and P. S. Morrison.

In presenting the report and accounts for adoption, the Chairman said: "It is very gratifying to me, and I am sure it will be to you, to notice the splendid increase in our membership, amounting to 102, as well as the sound financial position in which we find ourselves. This position has enabled us to enter upon a further five years' lease of these premises at a considerably increased rental, and, being thus firmly established in what I submit is one of the best situations possible for the purposes of our Institute, your Committee have taken the preliminary steps towards the reconditioning of the premises, and making such improvements as have become necessary through the effluxion of time. These improvements will, necessarily, entail a very large expense, which your Committee could not equivocate until the question of a renewed lease had been satisfactorily concluded. It will be the duty of the incoming Committee to consider the scheme which it is proposed to carry out and I trust that in the near future the various improvements will be an accomplished fact."

This, Gentlemen, is a fitting place to refer to the work of our Committee, which has worked consistently and studiously to enhance the attractiveness of the Institute, and the comfort of members, and I can assure the incoming Committee that, if it will follow in the footsteps of its predecessor, it will have no soft time and no sincere. I feel that my office of President has at all times been made an easy and pleasant one by the wholehearted desire of your Committee to pull together and pull hard, so that on retiring from office I desire to place on record my very cordial thanks to every member of it for their assistance during the year. I have the melancholy duty to refer to the loss sustained by us in the death of Major McDonald, one of our earliest Presidents, Eng.-Lt. Com. H. T. Richardson, also a past President, as well as that of Mr. J. Parkes, and three other members. We have also to record the loss of another past President in the person of Mr. T. Robertson, now enjoying a well-earned pension in Canada. I would also refer to the impending loss of Mr. J. McCubbin, also a past President who is shortly going home on well-earned retirement. The loss of our old friend "Mac," our Billiard fiend, will be felt by us all, especially by your Committee, of which he has been a member for many years. I am sure I voice the feelings of all present in wishing him many years of good health and heaps of luck.

I very much regret that during the year I have not had the pleasure of presiding at any technical discussion. This has been such an old established custom, and one which has given the opportunity for such interesting and instructive reunions, that I feel that a strong endeavour should be made to keep it in the forefront of the activities of the Institute, and in the words of the report of our Literary Council, I urge it as a duty on the part of our younger members to give us older ones the benefit of their modern experiences. Connected with this is the question of our Technical Library. I feel with our Hon. Librarian that the selection of books for this branch of our work is a matter for the serious thought of more than one man. It is practically impossible for any one person to enter adequately for the requirements of a membership composed of so many and varied professions. I think that the solution of the difficulty lies in changing the Literary Council with the duty of advising what books should be bought, and allocating a certain amount of money quarterly for the purpose. I suggest the consideration of this matter to the new Committee. With regard to the Fiction Library, I do not propose to say very much, for after an inspection of the names in the Library Register, I am of opinion that most of you know much more about it than I do. I would say, however, that I feel that many of us hardly realise the amount of work entailed in the building up and maintenance of the Library in its present state and I am sure that I am merely the mouthpiece of you all when I tender my heartfelt thanks to Mr. Stokes.

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The result of the ballot for committee was as follows:—Messrs. W. Russell, J. Tully, G. J. Harman, P. Carroll, R. Hunter, E. Cook, B. L. Frost, G. Harrison, A. Davidson, McTavish, Morrison and Neave.

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Mr. Farrell seconded, and the motion was carried.

It was also decided that an honorarium of \$400 per annum be voted to the Secretary.

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### AMUSING ANACHRONISMS.

#### IN "THE THREE MUST GET THERES."

Cardinal Richieu playing "put and take" with King Louis, the Queen tearfully typing a chit to the Faithful Duke of Buckingham, the witty Cardinal getting into touch with his motor cyclist despatch riders per field telephone—these are, among the many amusing anachronisms which occur in the amazingly clever burlesque of "The Three Musketeers" which Max Linder has produced, and the Coronet management are screening this week.

Styled "The Three Must-gets-theres," it contains a great deal of comedy and not a few genuine thrills. Local kinema goers who saw it for the first time yesterday enjoyed it immensely.

The Chairman then put his proposition, which was seconded by Mr. Tully, and carried unanimously.

The Chairman remarked: In accordance with our annual custom at the consideration of our finances, I beg to commend to your sympathetic consideration the pressing claims of St. Dunstan's Home and Earl Haig's Fund on your generosity. It needs few words from me to emphasise the immense amount of suffering these Funds have alleviated amongst those who from 1914 to 1918 fought, and suffered irreparable injuries, and I have the honour to propose that our annual grant of £100 (sterling) to each of them be forthwith despatched to London.

Mr. Dyer proposed that the sum be amended to £200.

Mr. B. L. Frost seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

On the proposition of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Russell, Mr. Samuel Baker was unanimously elected President for the ensuing year, Mr. William Russell and Mr. Davidson were elected Vice-Presidents.

Mr. Stokes was invited to remain as honorary librarian and Mr. Leach was re-elected treasurer. In connection with the election of an Hon. Secretary, the Chairman said: "We have next to fill the office of Hon. Secretary which the previous holder has, owing to pressure of business, felt very regretfully that he must relinquish. I take this opportunity to place on record the debt we owe to Mr. Douglas for the very great interest he has evinced in the discharge of his duties and the very great assistance he has been to us all during the year he has held the post he so well adorned. (Applause.)"

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"No. Bill," said Sheridan, playfully giving Shakespeare a poke in the ribs, "you can't deny it; your stuff wouldn't go down at all now-a-days. It's far too stodgy. If you'd only have the sense to take a trip round the world you would find it out for yourself, and you'd only be too glad to let Bacon have the credit of anything you say you perpetrated. Then we might get a little rest from that eternal argument and from everlastingly being asked to look at etherial photos of your so-called worshippers hopping round the streets of Stratford. Worshippers indeed. Self-advertisers more like!"

By my halldome, this speech is past a jest. I'll go forthwith, and make thee swallow all thine ill-timed spite," responded the irate Will, and with a courtly but sarcastic bow turned and disappeared.

Handing through the streets only and beauty of the Boy Scout movement, and accordingly, has made a present of this latest off-spring of his or somebody else's brain as a special attraction at the Jamboree Concert.—Contributed.



## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

## TURKISH CONCESSION.

## PROTEST BY FRANCE.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 11.

France has protested to Ankara against the adoption of the Chester concessions scheme on the ground of the violation of the French agreement in 1914.

## LATER.

The Chester concessions mentioned earlier provide for the construction of some 2,700 miles of new railway touching the Black Sea at Samson and Trebizond and putting Ankara into touch with Erzerum, including a through line from Mosul to the Black Sea which will compete with the Bagdad railway. The concession includes a provision for rebuilding Ankara on a great scale and, according to a recent speech by Feizi Bey, the Turkish Minister of Works, concedes the syndicate seventy per cent. of the revenue from mining rights in a twenty kilometre belt along the railways. It will take eighteen years to complete the new lines which will be built at the rate of 125 miles yearly with exclusively Turkish labour except technical personnel.

## KRUPP VICTIMS.

## IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL SCENES.

"KEYSTONE OF GERMANY'S FUTURE."

ESSEN, April 11.

There were most impressive scenes at the funeral of the Krupp victims which probably have never been surpassed, except in the case of great monarchs, for crowds and quantities of wreaths and panoply. The procession, eight abreast, was headed by a forest of banners and took eight hours to pass a given point. The wreaths alone took twenty minutes.

In the course of the proceedings Herr Krupp Von Bohlen made an oration concluding: "Their life and death remain the keystone of Germany's future." The church bells throughout the country were rung and there was a cessation of work in the occupied territory. During the ceremony at Krupp works all French troops except isolated sentries were confined to the quarters.

## RUHR SABOTAGE REPRISALS.

## OFFENDING TOWNS FINED.

BERLIN, April 11.

The town of Duisburg was fined 75,000,000 marks on account of sabotage of the telegraph works. The Burgomaster and deputy Burgomaster were made personally responsible for the payment.

BERLIN, April 11.

The town of Buer was fined 50,000,000 marks and all street traffic was forbidden between eight and six in the morning owing to the blowing up of a neighbouring militarized line.

## GERMAN DEATH ROLL.

BERLIN, April 11.

It is officially stated that forty-eight Germans have been killed on the Ruhr since the French occupation to April 6.

## AMRITSAR DISTURBANCE.

## HINDUS V. MUSSULMANS.

SIMLA, April 11.

Considerable tension between the Hindus and Mussulmans has been existing for some time at Amritsar owing to rival proselytising movements which culminated in a disturbance wherein twenty were injured. Troops restored order and are still patrolling the city.

## TIKHON'S TRIAL POSTPONED.

RIGA, April 11.

The trial of the Patriarch Tikhon has been postponed *sine die*.

RIGA, April 12.

The postponement of the Patriarch Tikhon's trial for which the Soviet had elaborately prepared is reported to be due to heated discussions among the leaders of the so-called moderates who were alarmed by the recent storm of foreign condemnation in connection with the persecution of the churches and counselled the postponement. The extremists stubbornly resisted.

## LENIN SLIGHTLY IMPROVED.

HELSINGFORS, April 11.

It is notified that in consequence of a slight improvement in Lenin's general health bulletins henceforth will be issued as required.

## MEMEL STRIKE ENDING.

BERLIN, April 11.

The general strike at Memel mentioned in the cables on April 8 is apparently ending. Many workmen have resumed and most of the shops have reopened.

## WAR CRIMES PUNISHED.

AMIENS, April 11.

A military court imposed sentences of twenty years hard labour and twenty years' expulsion from France on three German officers for acts of pillage on the Aisne in 1918.

## SOOCHOW WEDDING.

## SANFORD-WHITE.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at Grace Church, Soochow, at five o'clock on the evening of April 3, when Miss Agnes Mary White, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Hugh White, of Yencheng, became the bride of the Rev. Edgar Lewis Sanford, of Changsha. The Right Rev. F. R. Graves, D.D., of Shanghai, assisted by the Rev. H. A. McNulty, per- formed the ceremony. The bride entered the church on the arm of her father, who gave her a crown, caught with orange blossoms. Her bouquet was a shower of bride's roses and white carnations.

The maid of honour was Miss Martha Wilkinson, of Soochow, who wore yellow tulle and carried pink sweet peas. The other maids were the two sisters of the bride, Misses Julia and Sara White, who also wore yellow tulle, and carried bouquets similar to that of the maid of honour's.

Little Misses Mary Standing and Marie Smith were flower girls and Marie Smith carried a basket of daffodils, while Mary Standing, directly preceding the bride as she left the church, scattered flower petals in her pathway.

The best man was Dr. H. F. MacNair, of St. John's University, and the other groomsmen were Dr. C. S. F. Lincoln, Mr. George Gresham and Mr. Donald Roberts, all of St. John's, and the Rev. H. S. Smith, of Soochow.

Miss Kathryn Shaner, of Lynchburg, Virginia, was in charge of the music, and, besides the wedding march by Mendelssohn and from the "Lohengrin," played several appropriate selections, very sweetly.

Immediately following the ceremony there was a reception at the Ladies' House of the Episcopal Mission, where congratulations to the bride and groom, serving refreshments and the cutting of the bride's cake, filled up the time till the newly married couple left for Shanghai, whence they will go to Hangchow for a week's honeymoon, before returning to Changsha, where they will make their future home.

## LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVALS.

Empress of Russia, (C.P.S. Ltd.) from Vancouver, Manila-Kowloon Wharf.

Heilching, (Douglas) from Foochow, Swatow-Co's Wharf.

Oostkerk, (J.C.J.L.) from Hamburg, Manila-Kowloon Wharf.

Chenan, (B. & S.) from Bangkok, Swatow-West Point.

Kaiyo Maru, (O.S.K.) from Keelung, Swatow-Co's Wharf.

Tungshing, (J.M. & Co.) from Canton-C37.

Aki Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Melbourne, Manila-Kowloon Wharf.

Mohon, (Tung Tuck) from Canton-C18.

Van Cloon, (J.C.J.L.) from Amoy, Swatow.

## DEPARTURES.

Sun On, (Hop Fat) for Kwong Chow Wan-April 12.

Soshi Maru, (O.S.K.) for Takao, Swatow-April 12.

Pac. of, (B. & S.) for Canton-April 12.

Tatsumi Maru, (N. Y. K.) for Yokohama, Kobe-April 12.

Chili, (J. Manners & Co.) for Yokohama, Shanghai-April 12.

Hydrangea, (China On.) for Swatow-April 12.

Glymont, (Ad. Line.) for Saigon-April 12.

Poolce, (Hung Shun) for Fort Bayard-April 12.

Aki Maru, (N. Y. K.) for Yokohama, Nagasaki-April 12.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail*, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rate.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG REALTY AND TRUST CO., LTD.

MR. JAMES SHAFITO AGASSIZ has been appointed Secretary of the above Company as from the 15th April, 1923.

By Order of the Board, J. SCOTT HARSTON, Chairman.

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

MR. Frederick James Eastbrook has been appointed Acting Secretary of the above Company, as from the 15th April, 1923.

By Order of the Board, C. P. CHATER, Chairman.

## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LTD.

MR. Thomas Andrew Barry has been appointed Assistant General Manager of the above Company as from the 11th April, 1923.

By Order of the Board, J. SCOTT HARSTON, Chairman.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1923.

## VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

THE 21st ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEETING of the Colony under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club, will be held at the Hongkong Football Club Grounds on SATURDAY, the 21st April commencing at Noon. Entries close on the 14th instant at 6 p.m. Entry Forms can be had from the Secretaries of Clubs, or on application at the V.R.C.

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The Consent of the Supreme Court of Hongkong has been obtained permitting the Official Receiver to lease to the above Company the premises occupied by the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

The local assets of the Banque Industrielle de Chine will remain as before in the custody and control of the Official Receiver.

A. L. SEITERT, Manager, SOCIETE FRANCAISE DE GERANCE DE LA

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Hongkong, April 12, 1923.

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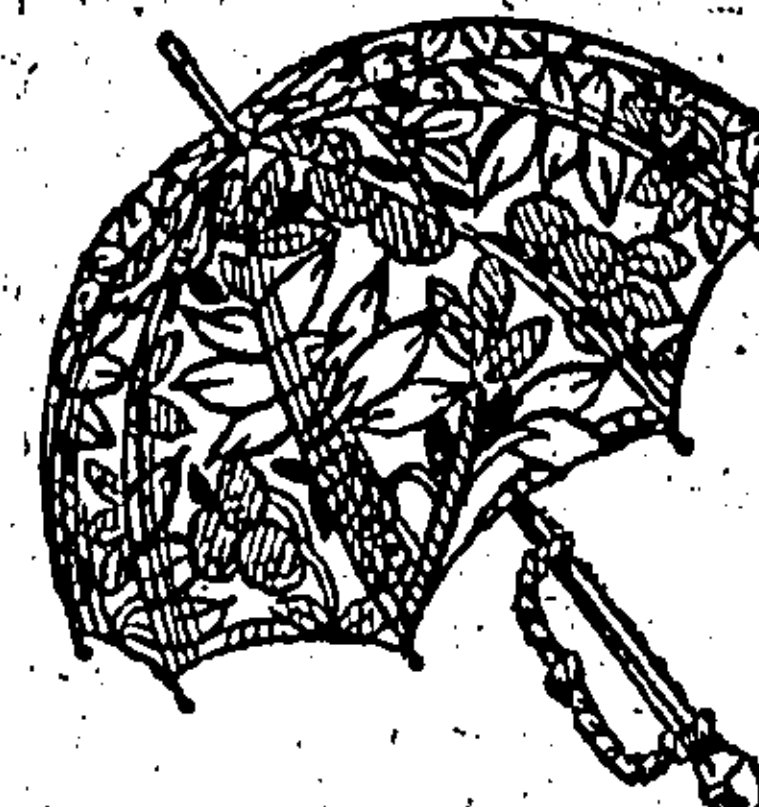
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The owner of the shed said that Crabb, who was at one time a carpenter, had formerly used the premises only in the day time, going at night to a Salvation Army shelter.

Later, with a view to economy, he had taken to sleeping on a bench in the shed.

WOULD NOT WASH.

"Crabb's habits were miserly in extreme," said the witness. "He would allow no one to go near him or assist him in any way. To save money he gave up smoking and eating meat or vegetables."

"Such food as he did take consisted of bread and tinned salmon. He would not have a fire even in mid-winter, and he did not take the trouble to wash himself."

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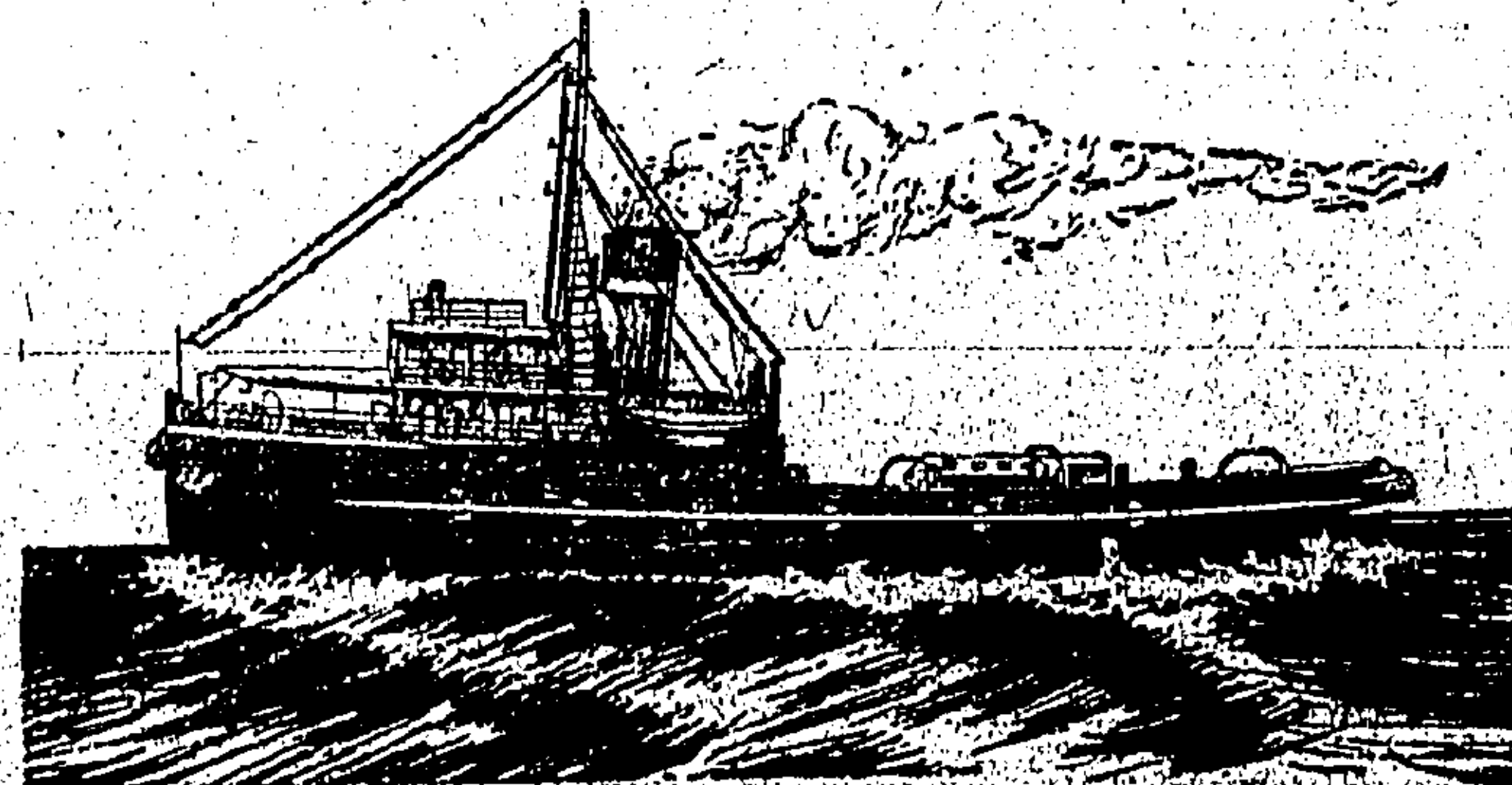
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# THE FILMS

## PROGRAMME FEATURES.

### TO-NIGHT.

Coronet Theatre.—Max Linder in "The Three Must-Get-Theres."

World Theatre.—Priscilla Dean in "Under Two Flags."

Star Theatre.—Alice Joyce in "Cousin Kate."

### FILM CENSORSHIP.

#### MR. T. P. O'CONNOR'S REPLY TO CRITICS.

The Times last month received from Mr. T. P. O'Connor, M.P., president of the British Board of Film Censors, a statement in which he defends the existing film censorship, and replies to the recent criticism of the Board's action in deleting certain scenes from the film version of "Oliver Twist."

The Board, he says, has now an existence of ten years behind it, and consists of three sections. The first is a committee elected from the different branches of the trade which meets from time to time, and in which general discussion takes place on the principles and general policy of the censorship. Secondly, there are four examiners appointed by Mr. O'Connor, who view all the films submitted; and finally, there is the President of the Board, to whom is left the final and complete responsibility for the passing or rejection of films.

Referring to the methods, he states that it is perhaps not generally realised that on every working day throughout the year, with the exception of short vacations taken in turn, the four examiners spend from five to six hours in the inspection of films. Two of the examiners have been engaged in that work since the inception of the Board, and there is a lady examiner.

#### POOR OLIVER.

Referring to the Board's decision in the case of "Oliver Twist," Mr. O'Connor states:

"We have been accused of silly presumption, of a wanton slur on the purity of one of the most moral and one of the greatest men of genius English literature has ever produced, and of spoiling a good story told by a good film. Taking the last point first, we have not spoiled the story; the testimony on that point comes from the owner of the film, who certainly ought to be most exacting, and who does not spare our action from unfattering comment on general grounds. What he says is:—The material effect on the film is negligible; in fact, in fairness to the censor, I must say that the film will not suffer at all."

The deletion we made was very small. It was in a part of the scene in which Oliver Twist is instructed by Fagin in the art of pocket-picking; and even this is not entirely eliminated; it is shown, but not elaborated. I hold that we had no other course which would be in accord with the principles and precedents we have laid down during our existence. What did I find when I took up the censorship some

six years ago? That there was not a day's paper which did not contain the suggestion, either from the Donohoe or from the pulpit, that the cinema was increasing, even to an alarming extent, the amount of juvenile crime in the country. This, the first serious problem I had to confront, compelled me, after consideration, to take a strong stand, and to announce this stand to the trade. In the circular I issued I laid it down emphatically that no film would be passed showing the actual method of crime.

After quoting Dickens's description of the murder of Nancy by Bill Sikes, Mr. O'Connor asks: "Will anybody in his senses maintain that I should allow on the screen a realistic representation of the ghastly murder of Nancy, or the awful scene of the death of Bill Sikes? Of course not. What, then, becomes of this extravagant theory that because a thing is in Dickens it must be accepted for the film, without even the change of a word or a scene?"

#### PLEA FOR LIBERTY.

Turning to another judgment of the Board which has been severely criticised, Mr. O'Connor says: "It is said that the subject of the film referred to is very unpleasant; so it is. It is said that there are scenes of vicious lives and characters; so there are. But nobody suggests that there is a single scene which is indecorous in word or gesture." After further discussing the character of the film in question, he says that he regards it as his duty to safeguard not merely the decency of the film, but also its liberty, and that so long as decorum is maintained and the subject is not one that should be reserved for the study hall or the dissecting room or a special theatre, he will fight for the liberty of this "new form of artistic expression." Dealing with the question of control, he says:

"The question has been raised. What are the limits of the control which the censorship exercises? So far as the trade itself is concerned, that control is practically complete. There remain, however, the public licensing authorities of the country. Over them of course the censorship has not the right of compulsory control. All that it can seek or hope for is to create such faith in its general judgment as to establish confidence in the minds of the local authorities, and thus induce them to accept the decisions of the Board."

I am glad to be able to say that that position has been established between the censorship and the majority of the local authorities of the country. I may name in particular the decision of the foremost of these authorities the London County Council—to adopt this position. It is suggested that the Board might be armed with powers to make its decisions compulsory; the Board seeks no such powers. It has confidence that, as its work is better understood, and after friendly and frank consultation between the Board and the licensing authorities, an understanding can be arrived at with them as with the London County Council, certainly the more workable and the more satisfactory because it is the result of voluntary arrangement instead of compulsory powers. The only alternative to the present system of censorship would be what is called a State censorship."

## "THE THREE MUST-GET-THERES"

### CORONET'S GREAT COMEDY.

There are casts, real casts and all-star casts; and then there are screen comedy casts so good that each player brings a laugh to the spectator in everything that he does—and that is the kind of cast there is in Max Linder's latest five reel film comedy, "The Three Must-Get-Theres," a most laughable kind of a burlesque on Douglas Fairbanks' version of Dumas' great romance, "The Three Musketeers."

Of course Max Linder is the international comedy favourite, maker of cinema comedies that for years have been making movie fans of all countries laugh, and "The Three Must-Get-Theres" is the first feature production for United Artists, which has been booked by the management of the Coronet Theatre as the chief feature attraction for the next six days.

Of course Max Linder plays the leading role of D'Artagnan—or Dart-in-Again—with Jack Richardson, Charles Metzetti and Clarence Wertz, appearing as "Walrus," "Octopus" and "Porpoise," better known to the lovers of "The Three Musketeers" as Athos, Aramis and Porthos. Frank Cooke is seen in the role of King Louis XIII., with Bull Montana cast as the Duke of Richelieu under the burlesque title of the Duke of Rich-Lou. Catherine Rankin appears as the Queen, with Jobyna Balston as "Connie" the Queen's seamstress with whom Dart-in-Again falls madly in love. Fred Cavens takes the role of Bernajoux, with Harry Mann as "Bunkum."

Every member of the cast is a laughmaker from the very first flicker of the film till the very last, and all of them are well known to movie comedy fans. Larry Semon in "A Pair of Kings" and the latest topical Budget complete a very fine programme.

## ARCHBISHOP AND KINEMA.

### THE PRIMATE ON FILMS.

At the invitation of Colonel Bromhead, the Archbishop of Canterbury paid, a visit to the private theatre of the Gaumont Company, in Denman-street, to see a programme of films specially composed for the occasion. Dr. Randall Davidson, who was accompanied by Mrs. Davidson and her sister, Miss Tait, and the Bishop of Dover, was conducted to the firm's comfortable little projection room by Mr. R. C. Bromhead, joint managing director of the Gaumont Company, and the exhibition began at once.

The programme, which occupied about thirty-five minutes in all, included some fifteen separate subjects, among them being an international Rugby match, the Shrove Tuesday football game, at Asbourne and Chester-le-Street, the opening of Parliament, laying the foundation-stone of the war memorial at Charterhouse, slow motion pictures of a steeplechase and of a dance by Miss Edna Maude, Princess Mary's wedding, Mr. F. Salisbury, R.A., at work on the Archbishop's portrait, and Mr. S. M. Monaca, the lightning sculptor, similarly engaged on his bust. This was almost the first occasion on which Dr. Randall Davidson has seen anything like a full programme of films, and both he and Mrs. Davidson expressed the greatest interest in every item, especially in the two slow motion pictures, and, of course, the scenes in which the Archbishop himself had participated. The educational value of such films, said Dr. Davidson, seemed to him very great indeed, both for the present and for future generations. Had the cinema been invented at the time of the French Revolution, for instance, the world would have now possessed documents of inestimable worth.

Before leaving the little theatre, the Archbishop allowed a film to be taken of himself and his party, and when asked to sum up his impressions in a message to those engaged in the film industry, said he could not do better than quote the well-known lines:

"Two men looked out through prison bars.  
The one saw mud, the other stars."

## "UNDER TWO FLAGS."

### WORLD THEATRE'S FINE FILM.

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In Ouida's "Under Two Flags" which began at the World Theatre yesterday, her interpretation of the passionate Cigarette, who loves and hates with equal intensity, is a work of art. The picture opens with the café scene where the man of mystery, "Victor," is gambling with Cigarette to see whether he fights with the French or the Arabs. From the start Director Tod Browning has set a fast tempo which is maintained throughout, increasing at the finish to a "crescendo furioso." The scenes showing Cigarette in her wild desert race against death, and the climax where she gives her life for the man she loves and her beloved France, are some of the finest things ever portrayed on the shadowy screen.

## CHILDREN AND THE CINEMA.

### OBJECTIONABLE FILMS.

In the course of an exhaustive report on juvenile delinquency in Scotland, prepared by the Scottish National Council of Juvenile Organisations, and published by the Stationery Office, reference is made to the influence of cinematograph exhibitions on the morals of the young. There is, it is stated, a conflict of opinion among social workers of long experience on the question of the direct connection between the cinema and juvenile delinquency. Where the home influence is not definitely good, where the element of honesty and dishonesty, of right and wrong, of honesty and dishonesty, are not taught, attendance at certain picture houses undoubtedly has a serious effect on a boy from the point of view of juvenile delinquency. The inquiry disclosed several cases of theft in which it became clear that money was stolen in order to pay the charge for admission to a cinema.

"From the answers we received as to the use of leisure it appeared that the vast majority of children regularly attended picture houses. With reference to lads who appeared before the Sheriff Court, attendance varied from once to four times a week. A fair average would be twice a week, usually on Wednesdays and on Saturdays. At that time there were also several cases in which young wage-earners of 14-16 years of age spent all their available money in attending cinemas."

"On the whole, question, the value and the possible future of the cinema must be recognised. It is something to make a slum boy laugh innocently, to help him to forget the rough lessons of the street for one evening. To be able to send the children of an overcrowded home to a place of entertainment which is never far away, and to know precisely where they are, is often a relief to an overworked mother. This wonderful invention might, however, be used not only for amusement; but also to inculcate ideals of kindness, to record examples of high adventure, to recall the great stories of history, to unfold the secrets of science, and in the end to touch the imagination and permanently to influence the life of a lad."

"We are aware that films of the type we have in view, which cannot be described as propaganda films, are often exhibited in the leading cinemas. At the same time we are bound to say that such a standard is seldom found at the picture houses in the poorest parts of our towns. It is enough to refer to the type of film often seen where drunkenness is regarded as a good joke and married infidelity as a human infirmity, where a girl is deluded into a false marriage, where the primitive symptoms of cruelty and revenge, dishonesty and unscrupulousness are displayed, where a human being is subjected to every form of torture without suffering any physical detriment, where, in fact, wrong ideas of life and conduct are portrayed. Much that is contained in many of these performances may be an insidious poison to a plastic mind; for the child takes each scene literally. Too great a strain is put on his imagination. Strange thoughts arise in a mind that is immature and questioning, and in this way, both mental and moral damage may be done."

## "THE PRODIGAL SON."

### A GREAT BRITISH FILM.

Every part of the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, was occupied by the guests of the Stall Film Company, recently, to see a private exhibition of what is, probably, the longest, and is certainly one of the best, films ever produced at Home. For the first time, almost, an effort has been made to give a faithful interpretation of an author's work; every salient feature in the story being visualised on the screen. The necessary consequence of this method involves, of course, using an inordinate length of film. As shown recently, "The Prodigal Son" occupied somewhat more than four hours, actually, on the screen. The first part, which is set almost exclusively in Ireland, is really in the nature of a prologue. The drama then becomes tense and is worked up with great art to the climax, when the prodigal son, whom everyone expects to be dead, returns to Ireland, a rich and famous man, under an assumed name, just in time to save from ruin the elder brother whose birthright he had stolen. The two brothers, Magnus and Oscar, played respectively by Mr. Stewart Rome and Mr. Henry Victor, are very real characters; so, too, is Stephen Stephenson, their father, in the hands of Mr. Frank Wilson. Miss Collette Bretell, who enacts the dual role of mother and daughter, is a very charming ingenue, and more than once rises to real heights of passion. She appears to be new to the screen, but should have a future. The other parts are all adequately filled. Some of the scenes, particularly those on the Riviera and in Paris, are excellent.



"He's the very image of his daddy!" exclaimed William S. Hart famous screen actor, as he first gazed upon his son. True enough but William S. Hart, Jr. failed to bring about a reconciliation between his father and mother, the latter the beautiful Winifred Westover Hart, who had left her husband's pretentious home in Los Angeles before the birth of the baby.

## WHAT IS A STAR? A MOTION PICTURE PROBLEM.

This question has been asked a number of times. It seems to be a question in the mind of many motion picture enthusiasts just who are stars and who are not. The confusion has probably been occasioned by the erroneous use of the word in publicity articles. It is so much easier to say "starred" than to explain that so-and-so is one of the featured players that a featured player and a leading lady or man have many times been termed as "star" incorrectly. Consequently the uncertainty as to just what "star" infers is quite natural. On the other hand the leading lady or leading man some times appears to better advantage than the star and consequently the division is hard to designate. The definition of "star" as used in the theatrical world is "the principal members of a company" which naturally leaves a wide margin, as personal opinions are apt to differ widely.

However, the motion picture magnates themselves have a clear line drawn between a star and all other players. To be starred brings many concessions and there is never any doubt as to who is and who isn't. When a leading lady, a leading man or any other player becomes sufficiently "popular" and shows enough marked ability to warrant stardom they are elevated to that rank and usually under new contracts they are promised that in every production in which they appear their name will appear first except in the all star cast, under which circumstances all the stars names appear equal. For instance in the case of Dorothy Dalton in her new picture "Dark Secrets" it is done as follows: "Adolph-Zukor presents Dorothy Dalton in Dark Secrets," etc. While for "On The High Seas," another Paramount picture in which Miss Dalton and Jack Holt, also appeared, the billing read: Dorothy Dalton and Jack Holt in: "On The High Seas," etc. The featured players in a production are always affixed with the word "with" as "Burning Sands" with Wanda Hawley, Mil

ton Sills and Jacqueline Logan. These minor technicalities are naturally overlooked by those unfamiliar with the customs, but if you really want to make sure who is starred and who is not watch the title sheets as they are thrown on the screen, or scrutinize the billing on the sign boards announcing the picture and you will find that the secret is usually told by the little prepositions, "in" and "with."

#### FIRST STAR ROLE.

Walter Hiers, now star, has embarked on his first vehicle for Paramount in which he plays the stellar role. By a unique coincidence, the first set in which Walter Hiers works as a star is the replica of the inside of a motion picture theatre.

"Funny, isn't it?" asked Hiers, "that I should have a motion picture theatre set for my first day's work just after being made a motion picture star?"

Wesley Ruggles is directing "Mr. Billings Spends His Time." Jacqueline Logan is featured in support of Hiers. Others in the cast include George Fawcett, in Robert McKim—Patricia—Palmer—Guy Oliver, Clarence Burton and one or two more well known film players.

#### DISCREPANCIES.

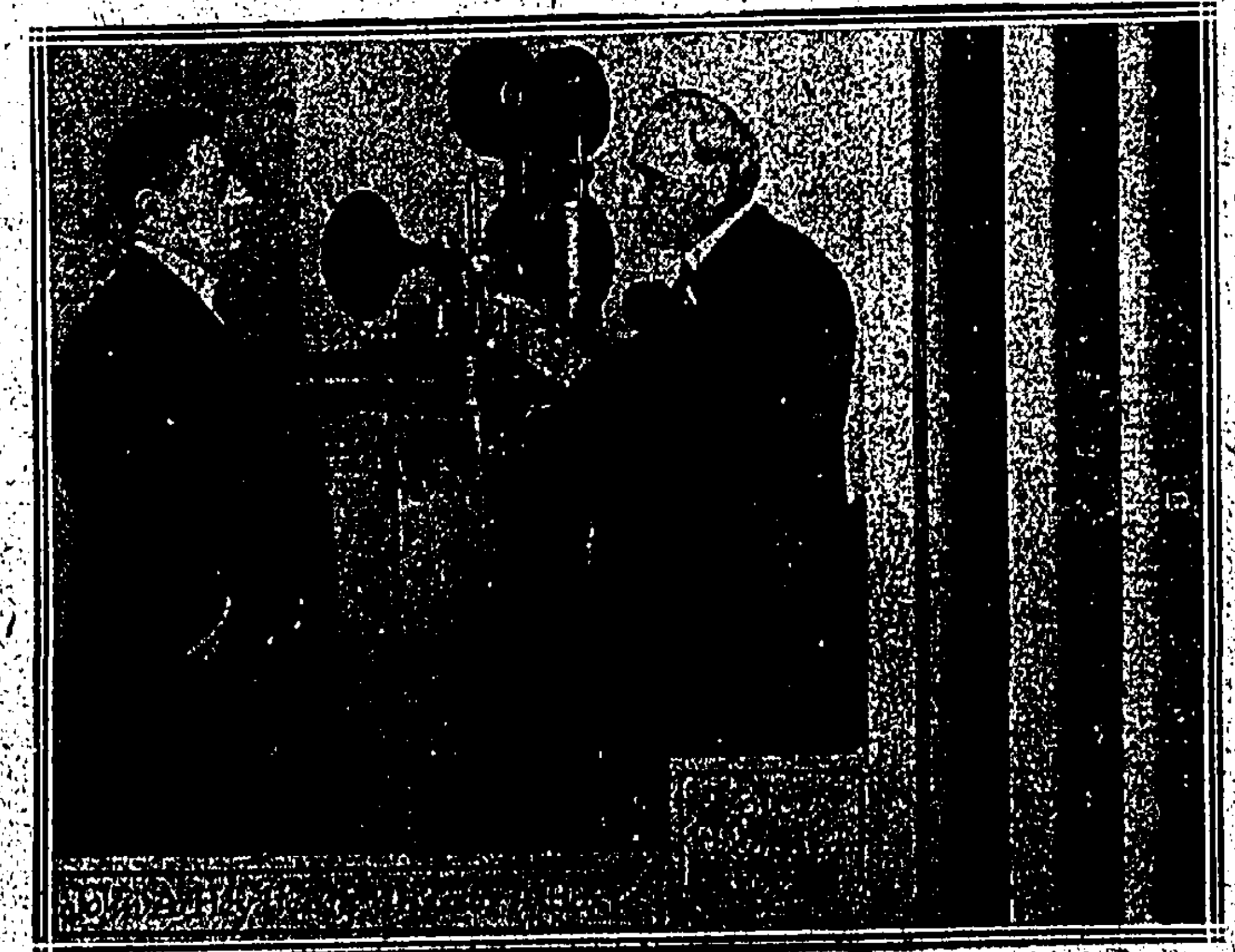
Many actors have been asked the question: "What is the hardest thing to do before a camera?" "Trying to play dead with a live leopard at your side" is Montagu Love's answer to the question. In a scene which he made recently for Alice Brady's latest Paramount picture, "The Leopardess," Love is attacked and killed by an angry leopardess. After the scene was shot Monte had to lie still, as in death, with the leopardess beside him while a close-up was taken.

"To keep from breathing while thinking all the time that the lady leopard might get playful and carress me with a rough paw was the hardest thing I have ever done before a camera," said Mr. Love. "I'll tell you that it takes more than personality to play a scene like that."

Love did not escape the scene unscratched, either. The leopard did put her paw on his forehead, leaving a scratch two inches long. And Mr. Love tells the world there is no press agent stunt in his statement and shows the scratch as evidence.



"Beautiful Mexican girl who has been placed in charge of the censorship and development of Mexico's moving picture industry. Her main work will be to produce Mexican films to be distributed all over the world. The films will show the life of the Mexican people and the industrial movements of the country."



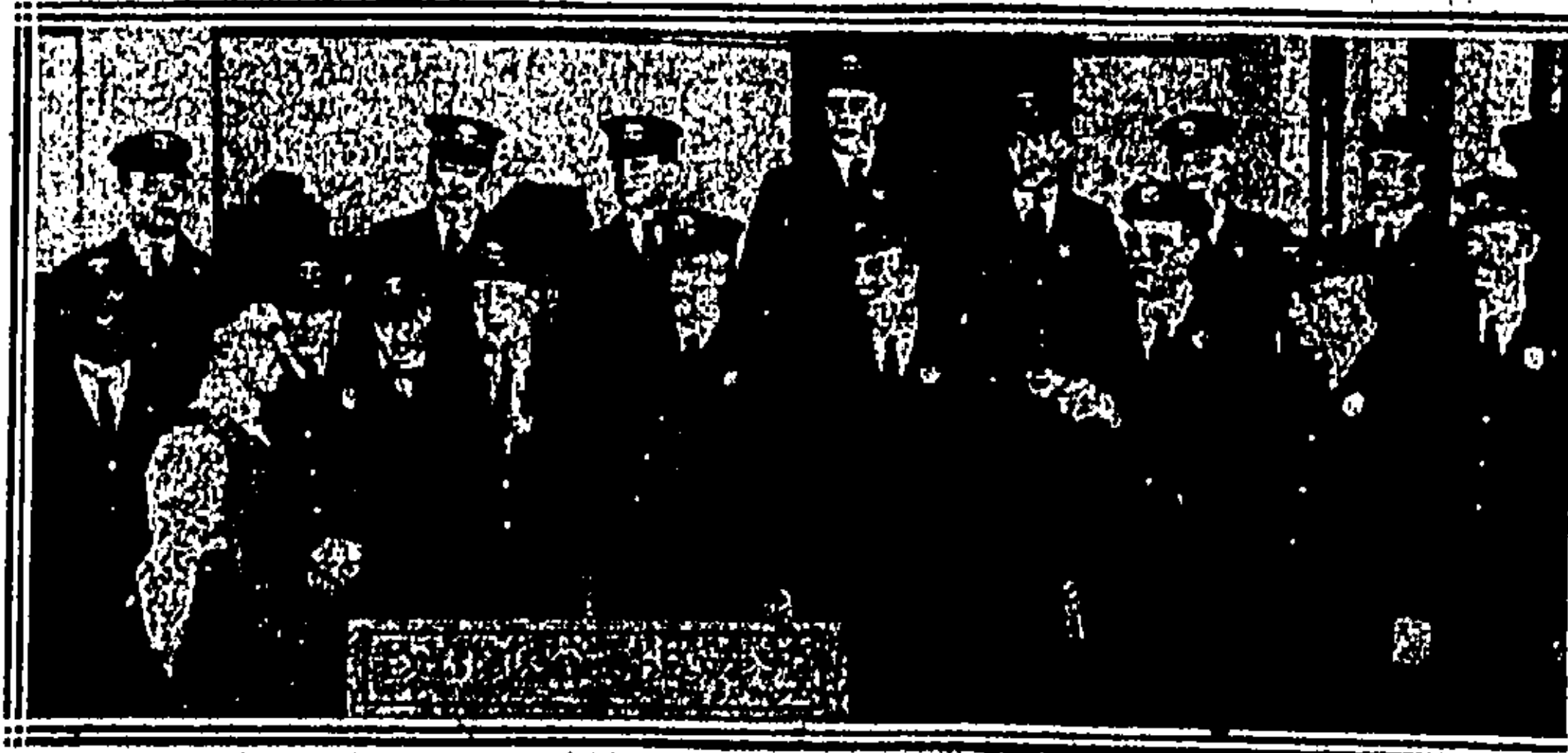
Charles A. Hoxie, of the General Electric Company, has introduced a new device known as the Pallophosphor, which photographs sound on motion picture films, the round waves actually a diaphragm. This device causes a corresponding vibration to a tiny mirror fastened firmly upon a steel shaft set between two sets of levers. A beam of light is focused up on the mirror, and the vibrating mirror dashes it upon the film. After the film has been developed it can be made to reproduce the sound it has photographed. President John A. Heydler, of the National League, is shown with the inventor, who is recording Mr. Heydler's voice for transmission by radio.



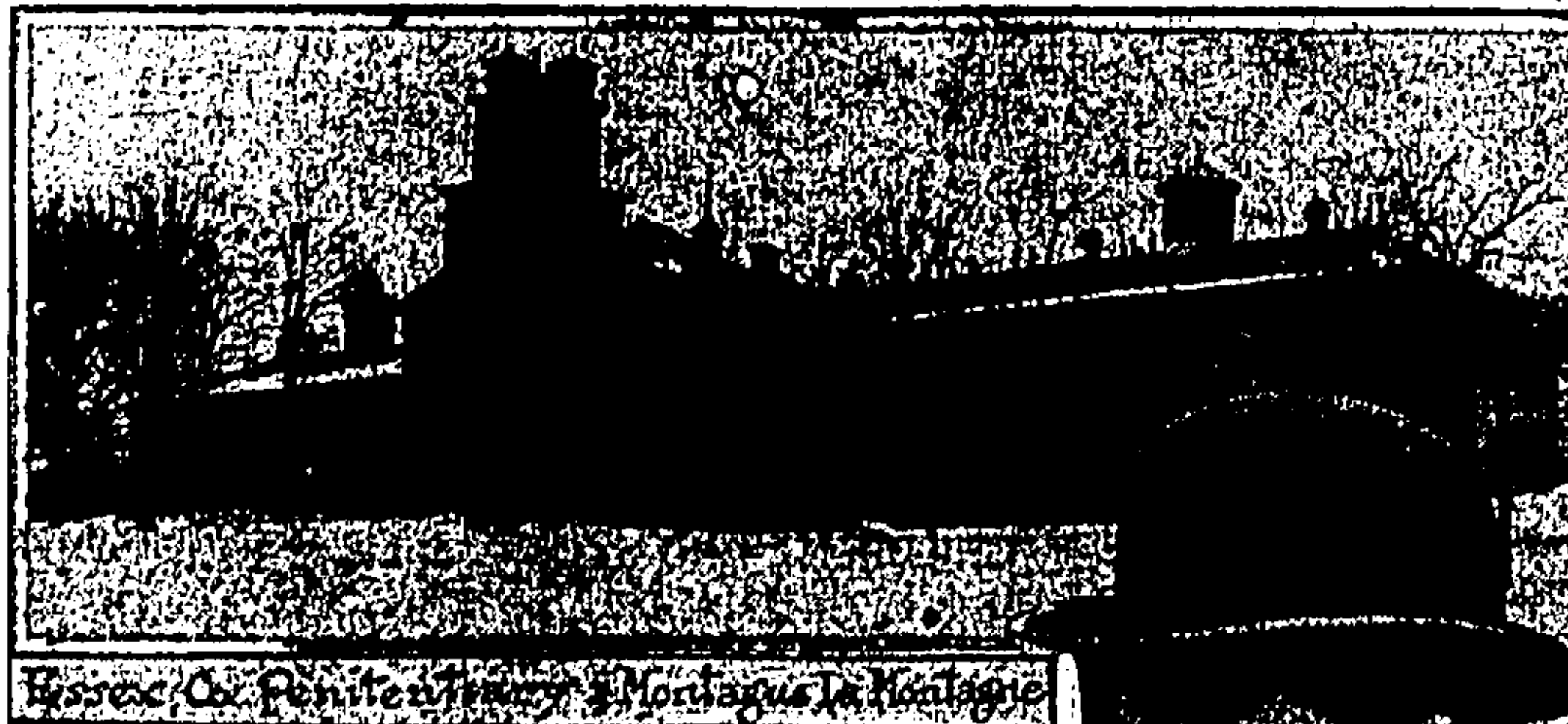


Robert Downey (with cap)

Having arrested one man for murder the police were surprised to get a telephone saying the wrong man had been arrested. "I ought to know," said the voice. Engaging the man in conversation, the police traced the telephone to another city and the man was arrested as he was leaving the telephone box. He turned out to be Robert Downey, a deserter from the Navy. He confessed the crime and implicated another deserter from the Navy. Both now face charges of murder.



Now bullet-proof vest. One guard is shown taking a shot at his friend—and the friend still lives, the 45-calibre bullet from an army pistol being flattened out.



Where four multi-millionaire brothers—Rene, Montague, William A., and Morgan E. La Montagne—are serving from two to four months imprisonment for violating the prohibition laws. They were among the largest distillers in America and pleaded guilty to furnishing liquor for a party at the Racquet and Tennis Club, of New York, the most exclusive club in America, of which all are members. The brothers move in the best society. Rene-La Montagne is a polo player of international fame.



Dr. Charles F. Stenmetz

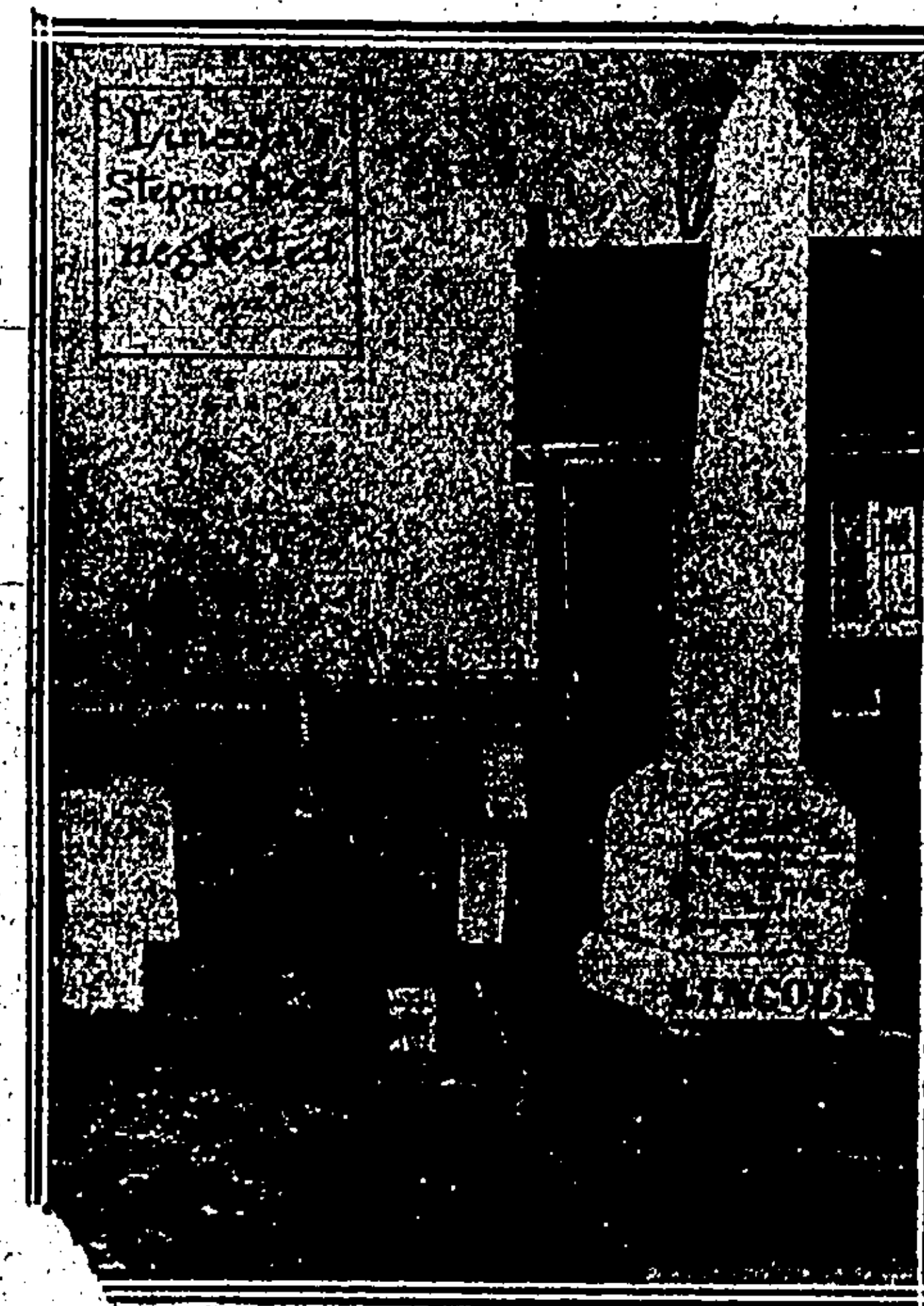
Electrical wizard who recently startled scientists by suggesting that the world's future food supply might well be obtained cheaply by breeding nitrogenous bacteria for use as food. He is shown here looking at an electric washing machine.



Major Robert Connor three times mayor of his own town and millionaire lumberman, is accused of being the father of the three children of Miss Bertha Gurtler, who was known to her fashionable neighbours as Mrs. Robert Brown. Major Connor, who denies the charges, has been identified as the "Mr. Robert Brown" who lived in the "love nest."



Albert Ballin, alias Balanow, has been making startling statements against heads of prominent American detective agencies and against William J. Burns, of the Department of Justice. He alleges he was employed as agent provocateur to stir up anarchist plots, so that the agencies might get jobs guarding financial institutions and financiers. The men he has named have indignantly denied his charges. He is shown here being questioned by Attorney Frank Walsh, who will use his deposition in defending alleged radicals facing trial.



The grave of Sally Bush Lincoln, stepmother of the martyred President, has long been neglected and an effort is now being made to mark her last resting place. The photograph shows the tomb of Lincoln's father, but there is no stone over the grave of the woman who did so much to help her stepson.

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